STATEMENT OF WORK Forest Site Preparation (490) Minnesota

These deliverables apply to this individual practice. For other planned practice deliverables refer to those specific Statements of Work.

DESIGN

Deliverables:

- 1. Design documents that demonstrate criteria in NRCS practice standard have been met and are compatible with planned and applied practices.
 - a. Practice purpose(s) as identified in the conservation plan
 - b. List of required permits to be obtained by the client
 - c. Practice standard criteria-related computations and analyses to develop plans and specifications including but not limited to:
 - i. Determination of appropriate method, intensity and timing to prepare the site for planting, seeding or natural regeneration
 - ii. Mitigation of erosion, runoff, soil compaction and soil displacement to acceptable levels
- 2. Written plans and specifications including sketches and drawings shall be provided to the client that adequately describe the requirements to install the practice and obtain necessary permits.
- 3. Certification that the design meets practice standard criteria and comply with applicable laws and regulations.
 - a. Sign Legal Responsibilities Certification form if requested by NRCS
- 4. Design modifications during installation as required.
- 5. Complete Forest Site Preparation Job Sheet as appropriate.

INSTALLATION

Deliverables

- 1. Pre-application conference with client.
- 2. Verification that client has obtained required permits.
- 3. Staking and layout according to plans and specifications including applicable layout notes.
- 4. Application guidance as needed.
- 5. Facilitate and implement required design modifications with client and original designer.
- 6. Advise client/NRCS on compliance issues with all federal, state, tribal, and local laws, regulations and NRCS policies during installation.
- 7. Certification that the application process and materials meet design and permit requirements.

CHECK OUT

Deliverables

- 1. Records of application.
 - a. Extent of practice units applied
 - b. Actual mitigation measures used and applied
- 2. Certification that the application meets NRCS standards and specifications and is in compliance with permits.
- 3. Record progress reporting as required; submit print-out of screen as requested.
- 4. Sign hard-copy of Form CCC-1245 if requested by NRCS.

REFERENCES

- MN NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Forest Site Preparation, 490
- Sustaining Minnesota Forest Resources: Voluntary Site-Level Forest Management Guidelines
- NRCS National Forestry Handbook (NFH), Part 636.4
- NRCS National Forestry Manual (NFM), Title 190
- NRCS National Environmental Compliance Handbook
- NRCS Cultural Resources Handbook
- NRCS National Planning Procedures Handbook

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Supporting Conservation Practice Standards

- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard –Prescribed Burning,
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- NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (eFOTG), Section IV, Conservation Practice Standard Pest Management,
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